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KRAK

... CONVINCE HIM, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, TO COME BACK TO THE STATES, JOIN OUR GROUP.

FUNNY HOW THINGS WORK OUT.

LIFT IS TURNING OUT TO BE MORE OF A CHALLENGE THAN I THOUGHT.

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EXCEPT THAT NOW LIFT IS ON THE GROUND UNCONSCIOUS, AND I'M BEING PUMMELED BY A RELATIVELY UNKNOWN ASSAILANT.
MY DEAD BROTHER, CRAIG CARTER, IT SEEMS, IS NOT NEARLY SO DEAD.
AND ONLY ONE THING IS CERTAIN...
...HE'S KILLING ME.
GIVE IT UP, MY BROTHER. DO NOT PROLONG YOUR OWN AGONY.
FACE YOUR END LIKE A MAN!!
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PAIN...REALLY INTENSE. NEVER BEEN BEATEN LIKE THIS BEFORE.
I WONDER... IF NIGHT MASK FELT THIS SAME WAY BEFORE--
PREPARE TO DIE, MY POOR, DEPRIVED SIBLING.
THERE'S ONLY ROOM ON THIS PLANET FOR ONE OF US CARTERS.
FOT FOT
UNGH...
WHY, CRAIG? WHY?
THUT THUT
NOOOOO
BECAUSE I CAN...
...BECAUSE THEY PAID ME...
...AND THE CHECK DIDN'T BOUNCE!
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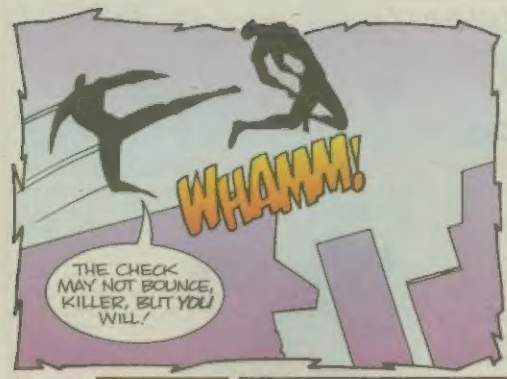
WHAMM!
THE CHECK MAY NOT BOUNCE, KILLER, BUT YOU WILL!

HAPPY LANDINGS, SPORT.

LET ME HELP YOU UP.
LIKE IT OR NOT, WE APPEAR TO HAVE A COMMON ENEMY.

MY BROTHER? IS HE--
I DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T CARE.
C'MON-- LET'S LIVE TO FIGHT ANOTHER DAY.
I DON'T WANT A MINI-BRINKSTON HERE IN MY OWN CUBAN BACK YARD.

CRAIG!

DON'T BE A FOOL, MAN-- GIVE IT UP. WHATEVER HE WAS, HE ISN'T ANY MORE.
BESIDES, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO A NEW FRIEND. A DOCTOR. YOU'LL LIKE HER, AND SHE'LL LIKE YOUR DAMAGED ARM.

MEANWHILE... SOMEWHERE IN OUR NATION'S CAPITAL:
DAMMIT!
ARE YOU SURE, AMAZING MAN?
YES, SIR, MR. REINHART.
WE'VE LOST CONTACT WITH MAN OF WAR.
HE WAS SUPPOSED TO CHECK IN SEVERAL HOURS AGO. BUT HE MISSED HIS RENDEZVOUS.
DAMN.
FERRET'S MISSING.
WITCH IS MISSING.

THERE WAS TROUBLE RECENTLY AT THE ST. JUDE HOSPITAL.*
AND SOMEONE JUST BROKE INTO THE U.S.S. JEFFERSON AND DAMAGED SOME OF OUR COMPUTER FILES.
JUST WHAT THE WELL IS GOING ON??
HAVE I FOUGHT TO KEEP THE PROTECTORS TOGETHER...
...JUST TO WATCH THEM FALL APART PIECE BY PIECE?
* SEE FERRET #1.
DO YOU WANT US TO INTERFERE?
WE COULD ALL GO DOWN TO CUBA AND KICK SOME BUTT.
I'D LIKE THAT.
I APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN, BOYS...
BUT THERE ARE SOME BATTLES THE PROTECTORS MUST FIGHT ON THEIR OWN.
NOW THEN, ON TO BUSINESS.
DOES ANYBODY KNOW WHO THIS GUY IS?

INCREDIBLE. IF I DIDN'T SEE IT WITH MY OWN EYES, I NEVER WOULD HAVE BELIEVED IT. YOUR CELLS ARE REGENERATING FASTER THAN I COULD EVER EXPECT. YOU'RE QUITE A FINE MISTER MAN OF WAR.
HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN LEONARD, DR. MICHAELS?
PLEASE, CALL ME SANDY.
I'VE KNOWN HIM FOR A FEW YEARS NOW.
WE HAVE SOMETHING OF A DEAL.
HE HELPS ME CUT THROUGH THE RED TAPE OF CUBAN BUREAUCRACY AND I HELP HIM IN RETURN.
NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

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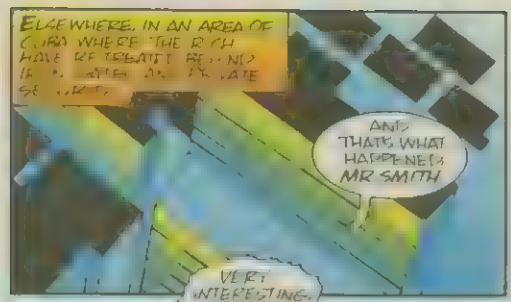
CAREFUL! YOU'LL POP THE STITCHES!
NOT TO WORRY, DOCTOR I'VE HAD MUCH WORSE AND STILL SURVIVED.
EVEN MY SCAR TISSUE HAS SCAR TISSUE
NICE JOB, DOC
YOU GET DRESSED AND I'LL CHECK ON YOU IN A FEW.
THERE'S SOMEONE OUTSIDE WHO WANTS TO SEE YOU.
BY THE WAY, CLAY, YOU TESTED NEGATIVE FOR HIV.
BUT THERE WAS ENOUGH BLOOD SPILLED ON THAT ROOFTOP TO WARRANT GETTING TESTED AGAIN IN SIX MONTHS.
HI, HONEY, I'M HOME.
WE MISSED YOU, LEONARD.

SHAKE IT OFF, MR. WAR.
I GOT YOU A PRESENT.
IT MIGHT COME IN HANDY
I DIDN'T REALIZE WE WERE GOING TO EXCHANGE THIS YEAR
I DIDN'T GET YOU ANYTHING
WOW
MY TRUSTY SWORD!!
I THOUGHT I LOST THIS IN THE INCIDENT AT MY HOTEL ROOM!*
* We saw it in M.O.W. #2 Memory Mann
HOW DID YOU EVER COME ACROSS IT?
I PROCURED IT FROM THE LOCAL LAW
YOU DON'T LIVE COMFORTABLY IN CUBA WITHOUT A FEW LEGAL CONNECTIONS TO GET THROUGH THE DAY.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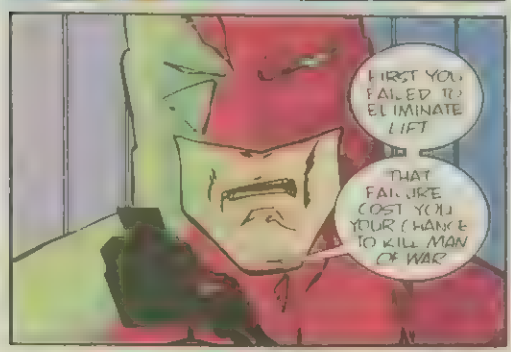
AND THATS WHAT HAPPENED MR SMITH

VERY INTERESTING, FRACAS
A SIMPLE PROBLEM HAS BECOME MOST DIFFICULT


FIRST YOU FAILED TO ELIMINATE LIFT
THAT FAILURE COST YOU YOUR CHANCE TO KILL MAN OF WAR

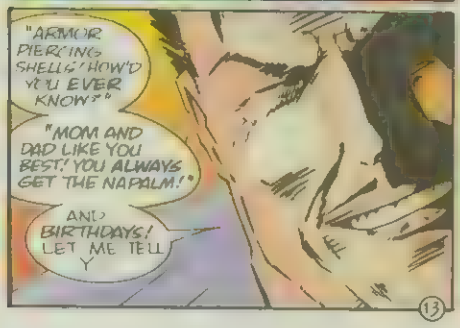
THIS IS NOW A HIGH-RISK OPERATION, FRACAS

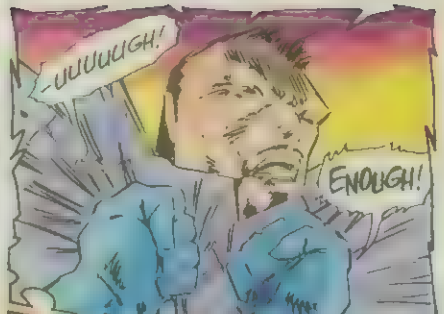
NOT TO WORRY, SMITH
YOU'LL GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

THAT WHICH DOESN'T KILL ME MAKES ME STRONGER
I'LL BE HAPPY TO FULFILL THE TERMS OF MY ORIGINAL AGREEMENT AND THROW IN MAN OF WAR AS A BONUS
YES, BUT THE MAN WHO ORIGINALLY SAID THAT NEVER HAD TO FACE MAN OF WAR!
NO EXTRA CHARGE SINCE ONE OF THEM IS MY BROTHER
GRANTED
JUST MAKE SURE THE CHECK IS IN THE USUAL PLACE, SMITH
I'D HATE FOR YOU TO MEET ONE OF MY LEFTOVER SHELLS
CHANG
KA BLAM!
OVER AND OUT!!

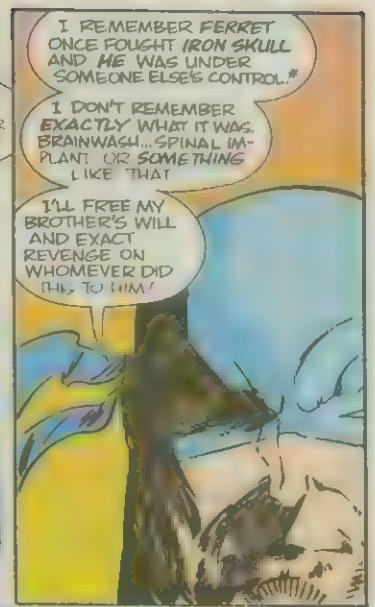
SO LET ME MAKE SURE I'M GETTING THIS STRAIGHT.
THAT NUT CASE WHO KEEPS TRYING TO PUNCH MY TICKET IS YOUR BROTHER?
WHATTA FAMILY!
YOUR NEIGHBORS PROBABLY GOT YOU GUYS CONFUSED WITH THE BRADY BUNCH A LOT!
I'LL BET THAT WAS IRRITATING!

CHRISTMAS MUST'VE BEEN GREAT!


"ARMOR PIERCING SHELLS! HOW'D YOU EVER KNOW?"
"MOM AND DAD LIKE YOU BEST! YOU ALWAYS GET THE NAPALM!"
AND BIRTHDAYS! LET ME TELL Y


-UUUUUGH!
ENOUGH!

NOT ONLY IS MY 'SUPPOSEDLY' DEAD BROTHER ALIVE, BUT SOMEONE HAS BEEN TAMPERING WITH HIS MIND!
THE SITUATION HAS CHANGED DRAMATICALLY IN THE LAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AND NOW I NEED YOUR HELP TRACKING HIM BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW THE FIRST THING ABOUT THIS GUTTER...
BUT I CAN ONLY TOLERATE SO MUCH, AND ONCE I SAVE MY BROTHER, ALL BETS ARE OFF!
IS THAT CLEAR?!
CRYSTAL



*FERRET #1 ONE SHOT · Roland I can remember it for you wholesale" Mann

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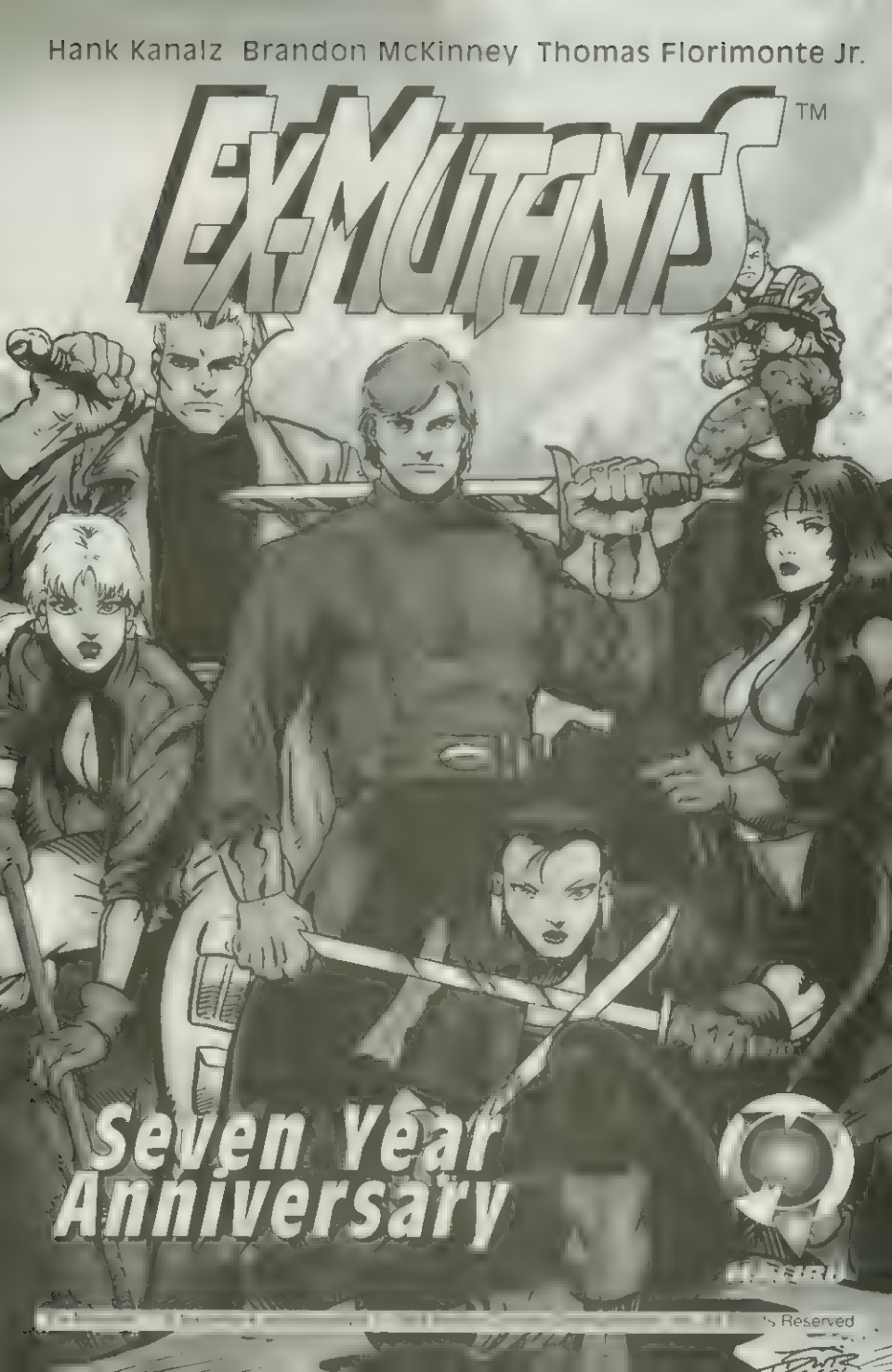

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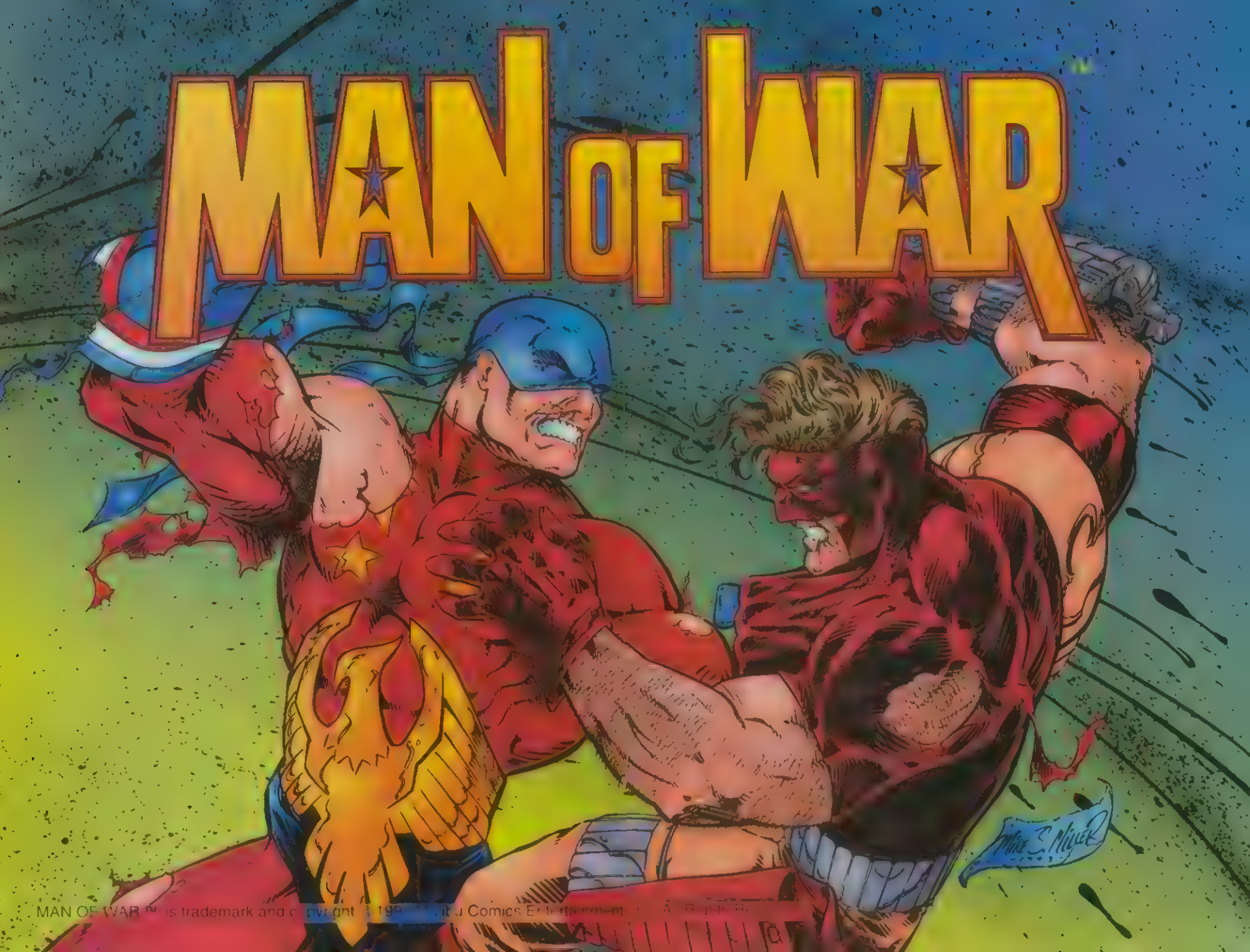

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YEAH.
I USED TO BELIEVE...
"I WASN'T ALWAYS MR. HAPPY & LUCKY SUPER-HERO."
'ARENA SPECIALISTS'
"WE WERE COMMANDED BY THE CIA OR ... AS PEACE IN THE NAME OF EMERALD LAND GOVERNMENT
"OUR JOB WAS SIMPLE: KILL
"ANYONE
"ANY PLACE
"ANY TIME."
BLAM BLAM
AND I..
I WAS THE BEST.

SORRY TO SHOOT AND RUN
<THE GENERAL HAS BEEN SHOT!>
BUT HE WAS SUCH THE DULL PARTY HOST!
<STOP HIM!>
<WHERE HAS HE GONE? NO ONE CAN DISAPPEAR LIKE THAT!!>
BLAM! BLAM!
<SOUND THE ALARM! HE MUST BE STOPPED!>
BLAM! BLAM!
"I DID A LOT OF THINGS I'M NOT PROUD OF IN THOSE DAYS.
"MY PRIORITIES WERE SCREWED UP TO SAY THE LEAST.
"I GREW UP.
"AND ONCE I DISCOVERED THE GOVERNMENT HAD STARTED
TO
OWN PEOPLE
"I HAD ENOUGH.
"I COULD NO LONGER STOMACH WHAT I HAD BECOME."

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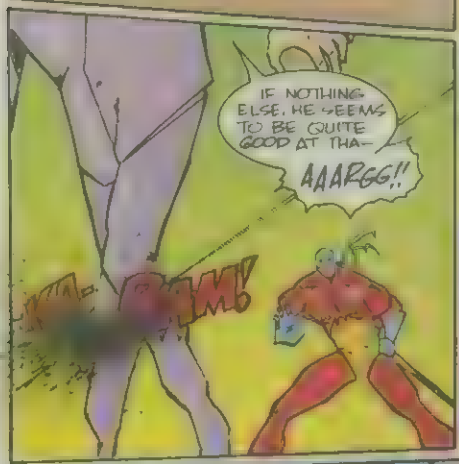
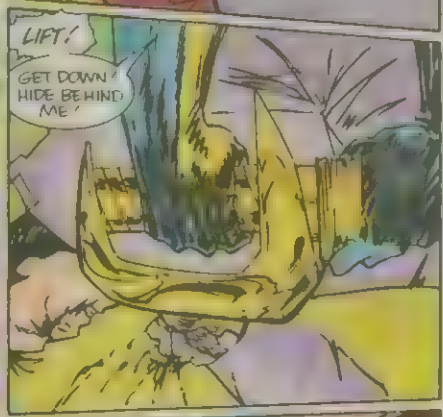
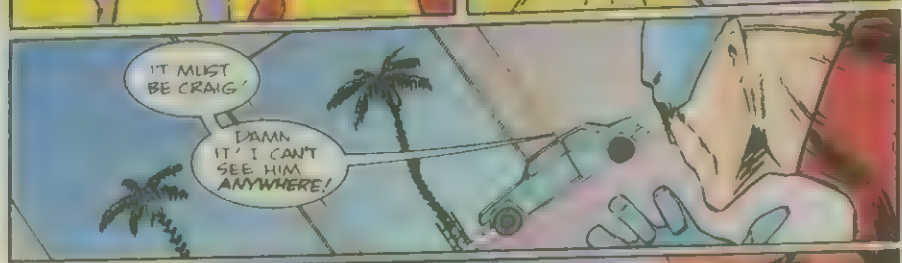
"SO, WITH GUILTY CONSCIENCE IN HAND, I DID WHAT ANYONE WITH MY ABILITIES WOULD DO
BLAM!
"I BECAME A SUPRA HERO.
"BUT BRINKSTON HAD AN END TO THAT
AAAAAAAHH!!
NOW MY POWERS ARE SPORADIC AT BEST
I CAN USUALLY MANIPULATE A ROULETTE BALL, OR FLIP SOME DICE IN MY FAVOR BUT EVEN THAT COMES AND GOES
AS BRUNO AND CLAUDE CAN ATTEST
I CAME TO CUBA TO LIVE FOR MYSELF.
NO KILLING, NO PROTECTORS, NO CRAZY BROTHERS WITH GUNS.
BECAUSE THERE'S ONE THING I'VE LEARNED THAT I'LL NEVER FORGET
THERE'S MORE RED IN OUR FLAG THAN WHITE AND BLUE

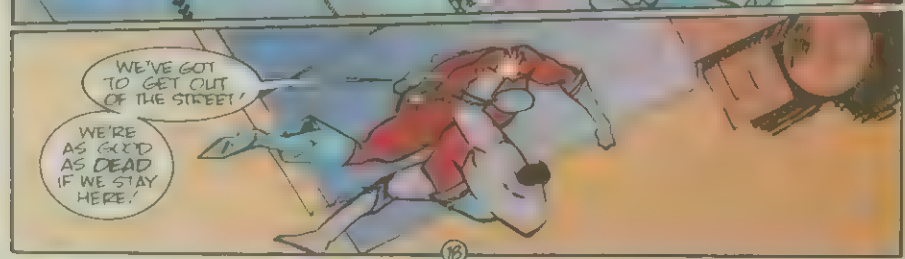
NOW IT'S ALL A MATTER OF FINDING MY BROTHER AND FIGURING OUT THE SAFEST WAY TO BRING HIM IN.
I DON'T THINK IT'S A QUESTION OF US FINDING YOUR BROTHER...

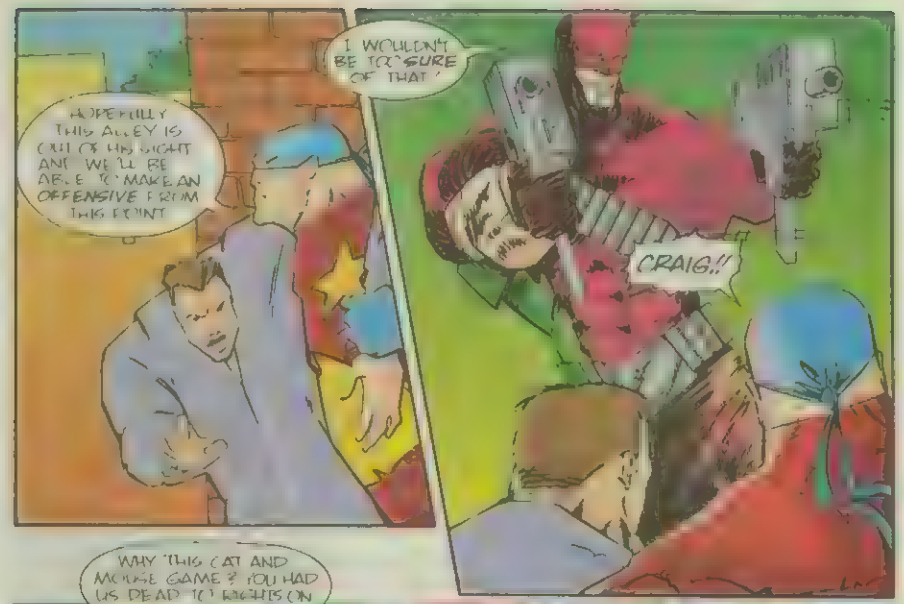
BUT YOUR BROTHER FINDING US.

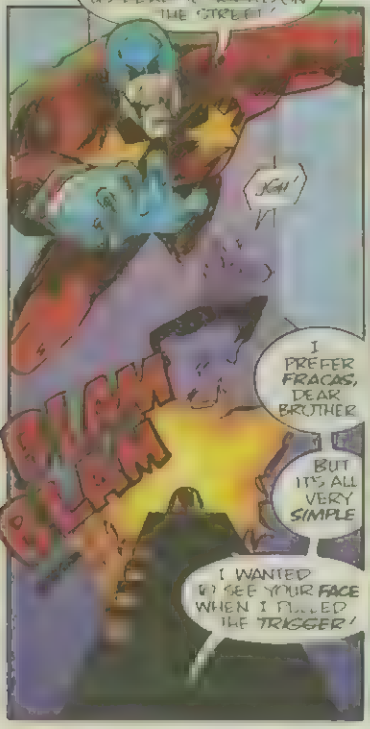

IF NOTHING ELSE, HE SEEMS TO BE QUITE GOOD AT THA-
AAARGG!!
BAM!


LIFT!
GET DOWN! HIDE BEHIND ME!

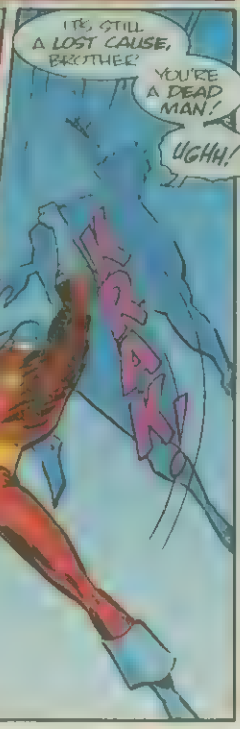

IT MUST BE CRAIG!
DAMN IT! I CAN'T SEE HIM ANYWHERE!


WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF THE STREET!
WE'RE AS GOOD AS DEAD IF WE STAY HERE!


HOPEFULLY THIS ALLEY IS OUT OF HIS SIGHT AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE AN OFFENSIVE FROM THIS POINT
I WOULDN'T BE TOO SURE OF THAT!
CRAIG!!


WHY THIS CAT AND MOUSE GAME? YOU HAD US DEAD TO RIGHTS ON THE STREET!
UGH!
BLAM
BLAM
I PREFER FRACAS, DEAR BROTHER
BUT IT'S ALL VERY SIMPLE
I WANTED TO SEE YOUR FACE WHEN I PULLED THE TRIGGER!

THAT EVENS THINGS OUT A LITTLE!


IT'S STILL A LOST CAUSE, BROTHER!
YOU'RE A DEAD MAN!
UGHH!
CRAN

I WON'T STOP UNTIL I SAVE YOU
SAVE ME? FROM WHAT?
SPINAL IMPLANT. BRAINWASH WHATEVER THEY'RE USING TO CONTROL YOU CRAZY
CHOOM!
AAAH!
I TRIED TO... ITS FRACAS!
I WOULD ADVISE YOU NOT TO FORGET THAT
I WAS GIVEN SUPER POWERS BY OUR OLD GOVERNMENT
THEN DUG ME OUT OF THE WREKAGE OF THE BUNKER EXPLOSION* AND PUT ME BACK TOGETHER WITH THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY
IN RETURN I BECAME THEIR HIRED KILLER AND WAS REWARDED WITH CASH RABBITS, AND POWER!
WHAT MADE YOU BECOME THIS KILLER?
WHO DID THIS TO YOU??
YOU OLD DEAR BROTHER YOU DID
I OWE IT ALL TO YOU.
NO
* SEE MAN OF WAR # 1 -Memory Mann.!

NOOOOOOOO!!
BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!

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UGH!
STOP IT!
KARAAK!
STOP IT!
AAACK!!
STOP IT!!
OOF!
THAK!
AAAARGH!!
STOP IT!
KRAK!
STOP IT!!

MARS, GOD OF WAR, GIVE ME THE POWER OF TRUTH..
IT'S TIME WE END THIS
THE POWER OF JUSTICE..
THE POWER OF WAR!
AAAAAAAAAAA!!
CHOOOM!

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WHAT WHAT HAVE I DONE?!
YOU FOOL!
YOU MADE ME NOW YOU AN'T EVEN FINISH ME.
I DIDN'T MAKE YOU.
YOU'RE A MONSTER OF YOUR OWN CREATION
LIFT, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
UNGH
COME BACK HERE!
HIT ME, YOU BASTARD!
COME BACK HERE AND HIT ME!
HIT ME!
YOU CAN'T END IT LIKE THIS!
HIT MEEEE!!

THREE DAYS LATER...
THIS IS WHERE WE PART WAYS, LEONARD.
I GUESS I SHOULD THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME STAY.
I'VE COME TO REEVALUATE A NUMBER OF THINGS IN THE PAST FEW DAYS.

HOW CAN I BELIEVE IN A GOVERNMENT THAT WARPED MY BROTHER INTO FRACAS?
I...I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TRUTH IS ANY MORE.

THE GOVERNMENT'S NOT ALL SMOKE AND MIRRORS...
YOU KNOW THERE'S GOOD AS WELL AS BAD.
BUT UNTIL I CAN DETERMINE WHICH IS WHICH...
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING AT ALL.

BUT NOW WE BOTH HAVE A NEW PROBLEM.
FRACAS.
HE'S OUT THERE AND HUNGRY FOR REVENGE.
I HAVE A FEELING LAUGHING BOY HAS ALL BUT FORGOTTEN ABOUT LITTLE OLD ME.
IT'S YOU HE WANTS.

I KNOW.
AND WHEN HE COMES...
BROTHER OR NOT...

I'LL BE READY.
NEXT MONTH: AN ALL-NEW MAN OF WAR ADVENTURE!

June 1993

Club Malibu™

Extra! Extra!

Hey folks! And welcome to **Club Malibu!**

No, this is not the letters page where we print all the wonderful letters that pour in, but it's our page to you, to keep you updated with the facts that concern the Wonderful World of Malibu! So, what's new at Malibu Comics you might ask. **Everything**—new titles, new people, and new excitement in comic books!!! To give you some inside info about the office, the Malibu editorial staff is divided into **zones**. The **Ultra-zone**,the **Protectors-zone**, and the **Eternity-zone** . Each zone is responsible for the production of its books.

I'm sure you have been introduced to **Roland Mann**, Editor and commander of the Protectors-zone. Roland is a veteran writer for Malibu with titles like the famous *Cat & Mouse*, *Miss Fury*, and *Arrow*. Roland has been in command since October and has just recently moved his wife, BJ, out to join him in sunny California. **Michael Brown** has moved in to assist with the growth of titles that will be coming out of the Protectors-zone.

Cover of the Month

Just as *Protectors* started as a mini-series and graduated into a monthly, thanks to your support the same has happened with *Man Of War*, *Gravestone*, and *The Ferret*! The requests are in and *Witch*, *Mighty Man*, and *Amazing Man* will have their own mini-series for the beginning of 1994. Some familiar names and faces will be introduced too! More later!

Continue to keep your eyes open for the *Dinosaurs For Hire* video game, available on *Sega Genesis*. Brian Lumley's *Necroscope* will continue the saga with the adaptation *Necroscope Book II: Wamphyrl*. Adaptation by Martin Powell and art by Dave Kendall.

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In September—we've got a major *Protectors* universe project coming up and all we can say about it now is one word: Genesis. We can list the creators involved, however: Bobby Rae, Jeff Johnson, Steve Erwin, Joe Staton, Curt Swan, Jimmy Palmiotti, Patrick Rolo, Charles Marshall, Tom Mason, R.A. Jones, Thomas Derenick, Mike Miller, Martin Powell, Dan Danko, Glenn Brown, Dean Zachary, and more!

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